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ABSTRACT

This book addresses the clinical, legal, and ethical issues arising in child sexual abuse cases; the assessment and case management of allegations; research issues; and practice recommendations. Chapter titles are as follows: "Assessing Allegations in Child Sexual Abuse: An Overview" (Tara Ney); "The Nature of Allegations of Child Sexual Abuse" (John C. Yuille et al.); "Assessing Young Children's Sexual Behaviors in the Context of Child Sexual Abuse Evaluations" (Toni Cavanagh Johnson and Colleen Friend); "Children's Comprehension of Truths, Lies, and False Beliefs" (Nancy Walker Perry); "Clinical Implications of Research on Memory Development" (Betty N. Gordon et al.); "Assessment and Management of Abuse Allegations with Very Young Children" (Sandra K. Hewitt and William N. Friedrich); "Assessment of Adolescents Who Have Been Sexually Abused" (Luise Greuel and Adelheid Kuehne); "The Language of the Child Abuse Interview: Asking the Questions, Understanding the Answers" (Anne Graffam Walker and Amye R. Warren); "Assessing the Truth in Children's Statements" (Debra A. Bekerian and John L. Dennett); "Psychotherapy and the Recovery of Repressed Memories" (Elizabeth F. Loftus and Michael D. Yapko); "An Introduction to the Cognitive Interview Technique" (D. Bekerian and J. Dennett); "Evaluating Allegations of Sexual Abuse in the Context of Divorce, Child Custody, and Access Disputes" (Marion F. Ehrenberg and Michael F. Elterman); "The Role of the Medical Evaluation in Suspected Child Sexual Abuse" (Joyce A. Adams); "Assessment of Sexual Preferences in Cases of Alleged Child Sexual Abuse" (Howard E. Barbaree and Edward J. Peacock); "Some Family Considerations in Assessment and Case Management of Intrafamilial Child Sexual Abuse" (Brian R. Abbott); "The Assessment of Children with Disabilities Who Report Sexual Abuse: A Special Look at Those Most Vulnerable" (Connie Burrows Horton and Kimberly A. Kochurka); "Assessment of Children Who May Have Been Abused: The Real World Context" (Jon R. Conte); "The Assessment and Investigation of Ritual Abuse" (Grant Charles); "The Child Witness in Sexual Abuse Cases: Professional and Ethical Considerations" (Lorne D. Bertrand et al.); and "Ethical and Legal Issues in Cases of Child Sexual Abuse in the United States" (Susan P. Limber). (Individual chapters contain references.) (SW)